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GLENDALE MAN SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR PREPARING FRAUDULENT TAX RETURNS

PHOENIX - Huy Phuoc Nguyen, 60, of Glendale, Ariz., was sentenced today to 21 months in federal prison by U.S. District Judge David G. Campbell. Nguyen pleaded guilty on November 17, 2008, to one count of Aiding and Assisting in the Presentation of False and Fraudulent Income Tax Returns.

Beginning as early as 2001 to 2005, Nguyen owned and operated Lucky Immigration and Income Tax Service in Phoenix. While operating his business, Nguyen personally prepared tax returns for members of the Vietnamese community. On nearly three dozen tax returns, Nguyen fraudulently represented the taxpayers' deductions and expenses, and understated the taxpayers' income. Some of these fraudulent representations provided tax credits for education, children and earned income to which the third parties were not entitled to receive. Nguyen attempted to conceal his fraudulent practice by listing his ex-wife as the tax preparer for the return. The fraudulent tax returns from Nguyen resulted in a tax loss of over \$90,000 to the United States.

This investigation was conducted by agents of the Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation Division. The prosecution was handled by Rachel C. Hernandez, Mark Brnovich and Raymond K. Woo, Assistant U.S. Attorneys, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

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